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## Democrats Talk of Making Mrs. Lilly Assembly Leader

Selection Is Considered by Tammany Chiefs to Win Support of Women Voters Upstate for 1920

Mrs. Mary M. Lilly, school teacher and lawyer, and one of the two women members of the Assembly, may be chosen minority leader of the Assembly next year if her district, the 7th New York, returns her to the Legislature.

This was the opinion of leaders of Tammany Hall yesterday when they were apprised that Charles D. Donohue, the present Democratic leader of the Assembly, would not be a candidate for re-election, but would, instead, run for a place on the City Court bench.

It would not be unusual for a second year member of the Assembly to be chosen a party leader. That has happened several times, and on one occasion a first year member was elected Speaker.

### Woman Vote Sought

While Mrs. Lilly comes from a Republican stronghold, having been elected by a majority of only 229, Tammany leaders believe she may be able to corral the bulk of the woman vote in her district, thus assuring her re-election. And her selection as minority leader, the Democrats argue, would help to keep down the Republican majority in the state in 1920.

One Tammany leader said: "Only Whitman's unpopularity, combined with influenza and a wreck in Brooklyn, made it possible to elect Al Smith Governor. Now if we could win over the woman vote from the Republicans up-state, we might be able

to make a respectable showing in this state in 1920. Personally, I cannot think of a better method than having Mrs. Lilly chosen to lead the Democrats in the Assembly."

### Republicans Scoff at Idea

Republicans who heard of the Tammany proposal declared it did not ring true, insisting that a combination of circumstances such as resulted in the defeat of the Republican candidate in the Assembly last fall could not occur again.

When this was conveyed to Tammany men they declared the suggestion was sincere. They suggested that of the older men in the Assembly on the minority side two, Mark Goldberg and "Marty" McCue, with thirteen years' service in the lower house, and several others with ten years or more, none of them seriously aspired to the leadership, and it was essential to pick a comparatively new member.

### Europe Monument Planned

Band Starts Fund for Memorial for the Late Leader

BOSTON, May 11.—Part of the proceeds of each concert of the "Hell Fighters" band will be contributed toward a monument for Lieutenant Jim Europe, the band leader, who was killed last Friday night by Herbert Wright, a drummer. This is a plan of the members of the organization to show their regard for their late leader, and tonight's concert marked the initial contribution to the fund.

Wright, who stabbed Europe during an argument, is preparing to plead self-defense. It is understood. He declares that he believed his life was in danger for Europe lifted a chair as though to hit him with it. He says that for some time the leader had been finding fault with him in an effort to get him out of the band.

### Dutch Women May Get Vote

THE HAGUE, May 9.—The Second Chamber of Parliament to-day adopted the woman suffrage bill by a large majority.

## Hosiery Buyers Write Our Plays, Says Rabbi Wise

Nothing Less Than Work of Moral Scavengers and Producers of Filth, Is Way He Describes One He Saw

### Pities People of Stage

At Mercy of Cruel, Hard-hearted Persons Dominating Theatre, He Says

In "pitiful, glaring, defiling contrast" to what they fought for in France, returned American soldiers are being entertained in New York by "lingerie plays" which serve as "annexes to the brothel," Rabbi Stephen S. Wise declared in a sermon delivered yesterday morning at the Free Synagogue on Carnegie Hall.

New York's theatre managers, producers, playwrights, players, dramatic critics and theatre-going public were alike arraigned by his sermon, entitled "The Decadent Drama: How Safe It?" It was preceded by the singing of Gaul's cantata, "Ruth."

From the first words of his sermon Dr. Wise turned the heavy artillery of his vocabulary full upon the faults of the American theatre, literally showering the subject with scorching phrases. "The dirtiest business in America," was his characterization.

### Blasphemy to Clean Youth

"It is blasphemy," he said, "to take clean-limbed, upstanding youth to some of the revolting, nauseating plays now running in New York. It is an intolerable insult to expose them to that, in return for their work in France."

"I carry in mind one show in particular that I saw only last week in one of the leading theatres of the city. Most of the audience were soldiers and sailors. I am told there are a dozen shows equally bad in the city."

"If many shows in New York are like this one, then American drama is being written by the hosiery buyers of department stores. The average petticoat purchaser of Sioux City or Tulsa would write the sort of show I saw the other night—if he should stoop to write a play."

**Product of Moral Leprosy**  
"It was nothing less than the work of moral scavengers and filth producers. It was the product of moral leprosy. The stage was filled with half-dressed women, though no more so than the boxes of the theatre itself, or the lobbies of the average hotel. It was the vulgar incarnation of impurity, spun about a display of hosiery and underwear."

In placing the blame for such plays, Dr. Wise first mentioned the people of the stage, saying they were mostly uneducated.

"I feel sorry for them," he said. "The theatre of to-day is cluttered with uneducated male and female loafers. I do not say that all plays are bad, but that all actors are uneducated, but many are, and they exhibit standards that cultivated men and women cannot accept. So long as actors are hired and fired like clerks, so long will there be a poor class of stage people."

**Theatre as a Business**  
"They are at the mercy of the cruel, hard-hearted creatures who dominate and control the theatre. No such great organization in to-day is in such unworthy hands as the theatre. Producers apparently consider drama not as an art, but an opportunity for the exposure of half-dressed women. As a business the theatre is the dirtiest business in America to-day."

Dr. Wise next arraigned the press, asserting that it does not give the public honest criticism.

"Only last week in another city," he said, "I saw an advertisement of a former Broadway attraction. It read: 'Go to the Blawie Theatre and hear a classy, girly, jazzy show.' Could anything be more impudently or salaciously suggestive?"

"Why can't critics say, 'This is a disgusting, soul, salacious play? Why should people permit newspapers to lie to them about amusements? Are the newspapers of New York going to let two or three or four men dictate great is said about the greatest of arts—without the remotest idea of responsibility? I wish we could put some of these 'chain theatre' men in chains.'"

**Objects to Police Censorship**  
In order to exterminate the "lingerie drama," however, Dr. Wise expressed himself against either a police censorship or against "having the theatre burlesqued, no matter how well qualified we know he is to undertake such a task."

"It is up to the public," he declared, "to censor a bad play by staying away. Here we have a particularly great responsibility, not only as managers and producers, but also as patrons. Jews largely help to maintain New York's theatres. I sometimes think there are more Jews in the theatres than in synagogues."

"We must tell theatre managers that they can't peddle filth at one theatre and expect us to go to any other theatre of theirs."

"Ultimately, of course, the question comes back to the individual. He must have taste and convictions. Either one of two things is true to-day—either the theatres of the United States are guilty of the greatest insult to our moral and intellectual standards, or

else they are a great and terrible self-portrait of our people."

## Pastor Calls Society Ball 'Pure Paganism'

Dr. Straton Assails Modern Dancing as Iniquitous; Says That Churches Adopt It

An "expression of pure paganism" is the Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton's characterization, delivered yesterday in the pulpit of Calvary Baptist Church, of the "Bal Bleu" held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel the night of May 5. The ball was under the auspices of the "Big Sisters" for the betterment of children, especially girls brought before the Children's Court and was sponsored by twenty-five women socially prominent.

Dr. Straton, whose subject was "The Capture of the Christian Church by the World," denounced modern dancing as one of the most iniquitous influences of the day and deplored the fact that this form of diversion had been introduced even into some of the city's churches.

A remarkable thing about the ball at the Ritz, Dr. Straton told his congregation, is that it was linked up directly with the church, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish. He pointed out that in the advertisement appearing in the daily newspapers announcing the ball it was stated that Florence Ziegfeld, Jr., would provide entertainment and that those attending would see French stage beauties. The pastor continued:

"Here, then, is a most complete blending together of the dance and the church. The church, the centre, with the forces of religion and the people of the modern church."

Turning to the question of dancing in the churches and the introduction of theatrical stunts in to certain pulpits in the effort to attract crowds," Dr. Straton declared: "All of these things are shocking and horrible to me. Jesus and His divine and holy truth, and the time has come for a stiffening of our moral backbones and for war to the death upon these insidious vices that are doing so much to paralyze the church and that are sapping the very life of modern society."

## No Trade With Germany To Be Brazilian Policy

President-Elect Pessoa Says Awerp Will Succeed Hamburg as Market

BRUSSELS, May 11.—Dr. Epitacio Pessoa, President-elect of Brazil, was deeply impressed by the visit he has just paid to the devastated regions of Belgium.

"When I visited the French front," Dr. Pessoa told an interviewer, "I felt sure that France had suffered more than Belgium, because I was told that there was in Belgium a reappearance of normal life. I now understand the situation better. The industry of Belgium has received a mortal blow and the Allies ought to help it to rise again. Germany returned immediately all Belgium's stolen machinery and restore what Germany has destroyed methodically and scientifically."

"Moreover, France has been occupied only in part and the manufacturers of the invaded French territories are able to establish themselves elsewhere, while no such escape is possible for the Belgian manufacturers."

"There is great hostility now between Brazil and Germany, and my greatest desire is to extend economic and political relations with the Allies. To carry out this policy will be one of the tasks of my administration. We will no longer deal with Hamburg, selecting Antwerp in its place."

### 'Impossible,' Says Dernburg

Financial Terms of Treaty Can't Be Met, He Declares

BERLIN, May 10 (Via London).—"Impossible! Impossible!" said Dr. Dernburg when asked his opinion concerning the financial terms of the treaty. He emphasized his reply with a despairing upward gesture of both hands.

"It is like amputating both a man's legs and then asking him to do acrobatic stunts," he continued. He said the stipulation giving precedence to industries over Germany's own debts would wreck the whole German business structure, since banks and big joint stock companies have secured chiefly in war loans. He believed Germany would make strong representations to Paris against the financial paragraphs of the treaty.

Before America entered the war Dr. Dernburg was the chief of Germany's publicity agents here.

### Samuel Gompers Recovering

Samuel Gompers was able to be up and dressed yesterday for the first time since his taxicab accident of two weeks ago. To-morrow he will meet with the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, which adjourned the May conference to the Hotel Continental that he might sit in with it.

### Obituary

#### Lieut. Europe's Funeral Will Be Held To-morrow

The funeral of Lieut. James R. Europe, leader of Europe's Jazz Band, who was killed by a member of his band in Mechanics Hall, Boston, Friday night, will be to-morrow morning, with services in St. Mark's A. M. E. Church, in West Fifty-third Street, at noon.

The funeral cortege will leave 116 West 131st Street at 10:30 o'clock, led by the band and members of the 15th New York Guard and the 360th Infantry.

**SARA MORRIS WISE**  
Sara Morris Greene-Wise, sculptress and wife of John S. Wise, Jr., an attorney, died at her studio, 7 West Ninth Street, last night after a short illness. It is said death was hastened by the loss of her son, Jack Wright, by a former marriage. He was an aviator and author of "The Poet of the Air," who was killed in France during the war. She had recently been elected to the National Sculptors' Society. She had studied under Rodin and Boudelle.

Mrs. Greene-Wise, who was forty-two years old, was a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Greene, of Oneta, Ill. Funeral services will be in the studio to-morrow at 5 p. m.

**CAROLINE E. SHREVE**  
BORDENTOWN, N. J., May 11.—Caroline E. Shreve, widow of Tallman Shreve, long a resident of this city, died last night at the age of 84. Mrs. Shreve's grandfather was a Frenchman, who had been in the employ of Joseph Bonaparte as a barber during the stay of Napoleon's brother in America.

Mrs. Shreve was named Caroline by the wife of Prince Lucien Murat, who before her marriage was Caroline Frazier, a Bordentown girl.

**WILLIAM J. GRIM**  
ALLENTOWN, Penn., May 11.—William J. Grim, one of the founders and editor of this city's first daily paper and later a special writer for Horace Greeley's New York Tribune, "The New York Times" and "Harvard," died in a local hospital to-day of apoplexy.

## WILLIAM L. HARKNESS

William L. Harkness, capitalist and yachtsman, died Saturday at his home, 12 East Fifty-third Street. At one time he was a large holder of Standard Oil stock.

Mr. Harkness had other homes in Cleveland, O., and Glen Cove, L. I. He purchased his New York dwelling, furnished, from Harvey E. Fisk in 1909.

The reported price was \$400,000. He was graduated from Yale in 1881, and last year gave \$400,000 for the institution for the erection of a new building. He was a member of the Metropolitan Club, the New York Yacht Club and the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club. His wife and two children survive him.

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LEDERER—WEISSBERGER—Mr. and Mrs. B. Weissberger, of Scranton, Penn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen D., to Mr. Alvin I. Lederer, of New York City. No cards.

LIBERMAN—HECHT—Mr. and Mrs. William Hecht announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeannette Leah, to Milton Liberman, of Philadelphia, Pa.

LEVITT—ROSENBLUM—Mr. and Mrs. S. Rosenblum, of 655 West 100th st., announce the engagement of their daughter, Beatrice, to Mr. Henry Levitt, of Detroit, Mich.

MALIN—BENENZUCHT—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Benenzucht, of 249 West 102d st., announce the engagement of their daughter, Henrietta J., to Mr. Irving H. Malin, of New York.

MAURICE—ELY—Mrs. Henry B. Ely, of 829 West End av., announces the engagement of her daughter, Lillian Kisman Ely, to Charles A. Maurice, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Maurice, of 70 West 85th st.

MEISLER—SHANE—Mr. and Mrs. A. Shane, of 327 2d av., announce the engagement of their daughter, Rea, to Irving B. Meisler.

POPPER—BALSAM—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Balsam announce the engagement of their daughter, Blanche, to Dr. Carl H. Popper, of Birmingham, Ala. Papers please copy.

ROBIN—SELONICK—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Selonick announce the engagement of their daughter, Marion, to Isidor Robin, at home, 49 Bay 26th st., Brooklyn, N. Y., Sunday, May 26, 3 to 6. No cards.

SHREINHOUSE—COHEN—Mr. and Mrs. Sol Cohen, 180 St. Nicholas av., announce the betrothal of their daughter, Della, to Mr. Herman Shreinhouse, Reception at Delmonico's Sunday evening, May 25. No cards.

STILES—GREEN—Mrs. James Polk Martin, of 429 West 116th st., announces the engagement of her niece, Miss Elizabeth Sue Green, of Kansas City, Mo., to Lieutenant Harold Edgar Stiles, U. S. A. Lieutenant Stiles has been in France for eighteen months and has orders for the states.

VICTORSON—FRIEDBERG—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Friedberg announce the engagement of their daughter, Leah, to David A. Victorson, of Boston.

WEISS—ABRAMSON—Mrs. Etta Abramson, of 240 West 114th st., announces the engagement of her daughter, Miriam R., to Benjamin H. Weiss, son of Mrs. Theresa Weiss, of 335 West 125th st.

WELSH—CURTIS—Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Curtis, of Rochester, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miriam, to Mr. Benjamin Quittner by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman, Tuesday, May 6, 1919.

VON BERNHARDT—STILES—In Newark, N. J., on May 10, Mrs. Jessie Willson Stiles to Frederick A. von Bernhardt, Jr., by the Rev. William L. Sullivan, of All Souls Unitarian Church, New York.

### DEATHS

AARON—Ida, on May 10. Services THE FUNERAL CHURCH, Broadway, 66th st. (Frank E. Campbell), Tuesday, May 13, 1 o'clock.

ABELES—On May 10, in his 70th year, Morris, beloved husband of the late Theresa and devoted father of Hugo, Olga and Minnie, and grandfather of Helen, Sanford and Louis Abeles. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral from Bob-Amer-Israel Congregation Beth El, 310 East 72d st., Tuesday, May 13, at 10 a. m.

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